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1. RE WP/1217, REPORT OF STA DIVISION, COMMITTEE EXAMINED REPORT IN CONJUNCTION WITH WP INCLUDING TEXTS OF COUNCIL ACTIONS ON REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS RELATING TO AGENDA ITEM 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, AND 7 FOR INCORPORATION IN A SUPPLEMENT TO REPORT OF DIVISION. (COMMITTEE HAD ALREADY TAKEN ACTION ON AGENDA ITEM 5, AIRPORT ENROUTE FACILITY STATISTICS LATE IN 1975, AND COUNCIL ACTION WAS TAKEN ON CWP/6282.)

2. WP/1217 CONTAINED 25 RECOMMENDATIONS. ALL WERE APPROVED WITH EXCEPTION OF FOLLOWING WHICH WERE ADOPTED AS FOLLOWS: REC 1/1: COMMITTEE APPROVED THIS RECOMMENDATION AND FURTHER DIRECTED SECRETARIAT TO PREPARE APPROPRIATE MATERIAL FOR COUNCIL'S CONSIDERATION OF STATUS OF STATISTICAL REPORTING TO ICAO. REC 2/2: WORDS "COMMENTS ON IT" WERE DELETED AND "COOPERATION" WAS INSERTED AT END OF SENTENCE. (US REP POINTED OUT THAT THIS CHANGE WOULD MORE CLEARLY REFLECT INTENT OF RECOMMENDATION.) REC 3.5: AN ADDITIONAL SENTENCE ADDED WHICH READS: "IT ALSO REQUESTED THE SECRETARY GENERAL TO PURSUE THE POINTS MENTIONED IN PARAGRAPH 18" (SEE PAGE 3-4 OF REPORT). CONCERNS POSSIBLE MEANS OF IMPROVING STATISTICAL CAPABILITY IN STATES. REC 4/1: UNCLASSIFIED

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COUNCIL DEFERRED ACTION BUT SUGGESTED THAT STA PANEL GIVE EARLY

CONSIDERATION TO QUESTION OF AIRCRAFT WEIGHT LIMIT FOR WHICH REPORTS SHOULD BE FILED. REC 4/3: ADD NEW SENTENCE: "THE COUNCIL ALSO DIRECTED THE SECRETARIAT TO VIGOROUSLY PURSUE ITS WORK AIMING AT GREATER UNIFORMITY IN THE CALCULATIONS OF CAPACITY." REC 4/10: ADD THE WORDS "AND TO ASK THE SEC GEN TO REPORT AGAIN ON THIS MATTER AT THE 91ST SESSION" AND ELIMINATE THE LAST PHRASE "PENDING THE STUDY CALLED FOR UNDER SUB-ITEM (B)" AT END OF LAST SENTENCE. (SEE DISCUSSION BELOW ON THIS ITEM.) REC 7/4: ADD THE WORDS "FOR CONSIDERATION AND COMMENT"; MORE DETAILS FOLLOWS.

3. CONCERNING THE SUBJECT OF OFOD AND TRAFFIC FLOW STATISTICS, AUSTRALIA REITERATED POSITION TAKEN AT STA 6, THAT FST DATA PRESENTLY COLLECTED AND PUBLISHED, IS NOT USED AND SHOULD BE PHASED OUT. IATA TOOK SIMILAR POSITION NOTING THAT INTERNATIONAL CARRIERS FACING FINANCIAL SQUEEZE CAUSING PERSONNEL AND WORKLOAD CUTBACKS. MANY AIRLINES WOULD FIND IT DIFFICULT TO MEET INCREASED REPORTING REQUIREMENTS OF ICAO, CONTINUING FST, AND ADDING PROPOSED OFOD STATISTICS. IATA EMPHASIZED THAT OFOD WOULD BE MORE BENEFICIAL TO THEM THAN FST COMPROMISE BETWEEN TOD AND OFOD.

4. FRANCE SUPPORTED REC 4/10. UK TOOK POSITION ADVOCATING MAINTAINING PRESENT PROGRAM (FORM C) UNTIL SUCH TIME AS NEW OFOD PROGRAM HAD BEEN ESTABLISHED/EVALUATED. DID NOT SUPPORT SECRETARIAT'S ARGUMENTS FOR RETENTION OF FST DATA (HELPFUL TO OTHER SECRETARIAT'S STUDIES). THEY EXPRESSED OPPOSITION TO RATES AND FARES STUDY. US AND CANADA SUPPORTED UK POSITION. US FURTHER STATED THAT PRESENT PROGRAM SHOULD BE CONTINUED TO ENSURE THAT O & D STATISTICS SATISFACTORY BEFORE ABANDONING PRESENT SYSTEM OF TRAFFIC FLOW STATISTICS. NONE OF DEVELOPING STATES INTERVENED.

5. GERMANY PROPOSED COMPROMISE WHICH COMMITTEE FOUND ACCEPTABLE. COUNCIL WILL HAVE OPPORTUNITY IN YEAR OR SO TO REVIEW NEW PROGRAM BASED ON AT LEAST TWO REPORTING PERIODS OF OFOD, ALSO TO REVIEW RESULTS OF STUDY OF ALTERNATE MEANS OF COLLECTING CAPACITY DATA. COLLECTION OF OFOD WILL COMMENCE JUNE 1976.

6. CONCERNING INSTRUCTIONS ON REC 7/4 (REF STATE 280570), SINCE MATERIAL IN REPORT CANNOT BE CHANGED, US ASKED SECRETARIAT TO EXPLAIN PHRASE "IN THE SUMMER". ANSWER VAGUE BUT SINCE UNCLASSIFIED

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THIS MATTER WILL GO BEFORE ANC, THEY WILL UNDOUBTEDLY ACT APPROPRIATELY SINCE THE BUSIEST PERIODS DO NOT ALWAYS OCCUR IN SUMMER.
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